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as Maria did earlier this afternoon, it may be helpful to send this on to Celeste and Tom H, if you wish

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Doug -

I want to keep you posted on what we're doing relative to the Board's triennial review of the 1995 WQCP. Let me know if you want more info or want to discuss.

Next week the State Board resumes its workshops on the Delta standards, which they began this fall. We (EPA CalFed types) are discussing what, if anything, we might say. The 2 topics we're most likely to address are:

- the chloride standard near Contra Costa. - We would be joining DHS, RWQCB and CBDA in saying this std should remain in place, even though the pulp mill for which it was designed to benefit is gone, since it has benefits to dw for CCWD and should not be changed until the CVRWQCB's process to develop a CV Drinking Water policy is completed. The Board(s) will then have the info to determine if this std, or some other std, is appropriate to protect dw.

- x2 - We would be saying, at a minimum, that the std is working, continues to be scientifically supported and need not change. Then, depending on whether an opposing view is presented, we would discuss a proposed decision-making process that's been developed by an agency-stakeholder group to avoid the occasional upstream impacts that the operators haven't adequately prevented.

The Board has 15 more days of workshops scheduled, but we expect these 2 issues to come up in the next 2 weeks. As we prepare written material, I'll send it up. - KS

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